

Newsletter

Term 3 Week 9 2024

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Dear Parents, Caregivers & Knapdale Community Members,
The weather is handing us a real mixed bag at present. My staff and I are willing the weather to improve especially in regards to our farming families. If in the unfortunate event, our weather does deteriorate, could you please send along a change of clothes with your child just in case.

Knapdale's In-School Speech Competition Results

We wish to congratulate the following students for their amazing performances in our speech competition.

Year 7&8 - Liam Paterson
Year 5&6 - Hayden Gardyne
Year 4 - Mikhyra Roberts
Year 3 - Charlotte McDonald
Year 0-2 - Paisley Milne



Public speaking can be a daunting experience at the best of times and yet our tamariki displayed confidence and courage that they should be extremely proud of. We are so very proud of all of our tamariki who participated in this event and we certainly look forward to doing this all over again next year.

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Life Education and Harold



We were exceptionally lucky to have Harold the Giraffe and Pip Tisdall at our school for a couple of days this week. The excitement factor ramped up as soon as our tamariki saw the bus and pretty much remained that way until the bus disappeared. Next year, we are going to organise it so that our pre-schoolers can attend. Even if it is just one session. So please watch this space.

Our Football Extraordinaires!



We would like to make mention of our boys in this photo. Not only did they get 2nd place in their football tournament but they also took out the fair-play award for Grade 8. Well done boys, we are very proud of you.

Teachers Only Day

Just a reminder that next Wednesday on the 25th of September we will be closed for instruction as our staff will be having a Teacher Only Day. Year 7 and 8 tamariki will still have Technology that day so transport will need to be the responsibility of the parents or caregivers. We appreciate your support with this.

Clued up Kids

On the 10th of September our year 6 to 8 students went to the Gore Town and Country Club for a session around emergency services. Miss Croad and Mrs Parish were also in attendance. Photos from the day will be put up on our facebook page.

Wearable Arts

We are certainly looking forward to this event! First and foremost, I would like to acknowledge the hard work and creativity that all of our tamariki have put into making their creations. I would also like to acknowledge all of the hard work that Mrs Robyn Hicks and Mrs Rachel Milne did when working with our tamariki. Last and not least, I would like to give a big shout out to Paige, Amanda, Megan, Emma, Michelle and Sara for making all of this possible. Thank you. We will ensure that photos go up on our website after the event.

NZSO

We are so pleased to have Chris Lam Sam come to Knapdale as part of the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra to work with the senior class on the 26th of September. This is a follow on from the whole school event that we attended in Invercargill.

Levi Goodall

We are so excited to have Levi Goodall come back to school to show us some sweet tricks Maori with his bike. This will be happening on the last day of school Friday 27th of September.

Up and Coming Events for Term 4 - Week 1

Technology

Year 7 & 8 Technology for Term 4 will be starting on the first week back from the holidays. The first day will be the 16th of October.

Wanda Waste Net Event

On the 17th of October (again the first week back), our school will be going to Waikaka for the Wanda Waste Net event. We will be using our bus, but will also need parent transport to get all of our tamariki to and from the event. A permission form will be attached to this newsletter. If you could see your way clear to assist us with this, it would be greatly appreciated! If you could have the permission form back to school before the end of the term that would be extremely helpful.

School Photos

School photos will be held on Monday the 21st of October.

Science Roadshow

The Science Roadshow is being held on the 22nd of October. This event will only be for the senior class at this stage. Consent forms will be sent home closer to the date.

Calf Fundraiser

We would like to give a massive thank you to all our generous farmers who have donated and grazed calves in the past. If you are able to be involved in this venture, could you please contact Graham Gardyne or Mel McKenzie. Their information can be found on the following poster. We are so thankful for all the support and organisation around this.

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2024 Calf Drive

Donate a calf - support our rural school

Calves

- We ask farmers to donate a rear calf for the school. The calf can either be a Friesian or a beef cross.

Cull Cows

- Rearing a calf may not be a feasible option for you but donating the proceeds of a cull cow may suit you better. This can happen at any time that suits you and your farming operation.

Lambs/Cull sheep

- Rearing a calf may not be a feasible option for you but donating the proceeds of a lamb or cull sheep may suit you better. This can happen at any time that suits you and your farming operation.

All calves must be NAIT registered and 100kgs

For more information

☎ Mel McKenzie - 0273336224 ☎ Graeme Gardyne - 0272294200

Sickness

Just a reminder that if your child has diarrhoea or has been vomiting, that they must be kept home for at least 48 hours before returning to school. Unfortunately we have also been hit with another raft of winter woes such as conjunctivitis and Covid. Please ensure that if your child has **any** flu-like symptoms that they are kept at home. With your help, we will do our very best to keep our school open.

Te Wiki o te Reo Maori

Just in closing, I would like to acknowledge Te Wiki o te Reo Maori. The following piece encapsulates what this week is all about.

*Ko te reo Māori ma tātou o te motu.
Ahakoa iti, ākona, kōrerotia te reo Maori ia rā, ia rā.
Me whakanui me ako me whakamahia to tātou reo.
Kia kaha te kōrero i te reo Māori.*

*Māori language is a part of who we are as a nation.
Learn a little, use a little, today and every day.
Let's celebrate, learn and use our language.*

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Wiki o te Reo Maori!

Updated information

Please ensure that you have all your contact details up to date with school. We prefer to send information electronically, so an updated email is always appreciated. Please email Susan office@knapdale.school.nz if you need to update your information.

Accounts

Please remember these need to be paid. If you can only pay a small amount each week/month, that's great. A small amount goes a long way. If you need a balance update or your account resent, please contact Susan - office@knapdale.school.nz or 208 9473.

Concerns

If you have any concerns about anything to do with school then please get in touch with us so that they can be addressed. If you wish to speak to your child's teacher you can contact them by ringing the school office or sending them an email (listed below). If it is of a serious nature then please get in contact with Raewyn directly.

Paige Croad:	paige@knapdale.school.nz	Amanda Swain:	Amanda@knapdale.school.nz
Emma Norman	emma@knapdale.school.nz	Raewyn Ramage:	principal@knapdale.school.nz
Megan MacBeth	megan@knapdale.school.nz		

Nga mihi:

Raewyn, Paige, Amanda, Emma, Megan, Susan, Michelle, Sara and Sara.

Up and coming events

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Dates for 2024

(This will be updated periodically to reflect our up and coming events)

Term 3

Maruawai Technology

Sept 25

WCD Year 7 & 8 Programme

Sept 24

Teachers Only Day

Sept 25

NZSO

Sept 26

Levi Goodall

Sept 27

School Holidays

Sep 28 - Oct 13

Term 4 starts

October 14

Maruawai Technology

Oct 16, 23, 30 Nov 6

Wanda Waste Net

Oct 17

School Photos

Oct 21

Science Roadshow

Oct 22



We use SchoolDocs as a way to manage our Policies. Policies are always open for consultation in our school community - so go to www.schooldocs.co.nz - Click Search for your school. Start typing in Knapdale and select from the dropdown list.


Username: knapdale

Password: 9773

You will see which policies are under review and can respond to them as well.

Childcare Provider

Need Childcare?



Meet Educator Skye

Homebased Educator available in Otama

Growing SuperKids at home with Skye
Skye has been part of the Just Four Kids whanau as a parent for a while.

She is excited about coming on board as an Educator.

Skye and her family live at a lovely rural property in Otama.


She is part of the Gore parents centre community and is studying the Certificate in childcare Level 4.

Skye is looking forward to putting her knowledge in to practice with children in early childhood education.

She is also going to be offering after school and holiday care in the Otama, Knapdale area.

Spaces with Skye will not last long so enquire today to ensure you do not miss out.

Phone - Suzy - 027 567 5990 - Email suzy@justfourkids.co.nz - Web - justfourkids.co.nz



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Cooking with Kids

COOKING Kid's

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLASSES - GORE

Come along and have a fun day learning various cooking and baking techniques.

Practice safety in the kitchen with utensils and good hygiene practices.

During the day children will make:

- Mini Pizzas
- Chocolate Brownie
- Penne Pasta Bake

* Please bring a packed lunch & containers to take food home *

* Please note these classes are for students aged 8 - 12 years old.

Wednesday
9th October 2024

Southern REAP
6 Fairfield Street,
Gore

9.30am - 2.30pm

\$50

Tutor:
Claire Burgess

For more information, or to enrol in this class
please phone 0800 111 117
or email info@reap.co.nz

www.reap.co.nz

Ice Skating

ICE SKATING

KIWISKATE TERM 4

Monday & Friday Afternoons
(During school terms. No Kiwiskate on public holidays)

3.45pm - 5pm

Skaters to be assessed according to level
before ice skating session begins

Kiwiskate starts 14th October

1 DAY

\$125

TERM

2 WEEKS

\$220

TERM

REGISTER ONLINE:

LEARN TO SKATE

School Holiday Programme

Mon, Tues, Wed: 9.30am - 2pm
(both weeks of the holidays)

"A great way to fill in your school holidays"

1 Day

\$50

3 Day

\$120

4 Day

\$160

5 Day

\$200

NO SKATING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED
HELMETS COMPULSORY
6-10 YEARS

ADULT LEARN TO SKATE

Age 16+

Monday Evenings
(During school terms)

7.30pm - 9.00pm

Adult Beginners
7.30pm 1/2 hr Group Lesson

Adult Experienced
8pm 1/2 hr Group Lesson

REGISTER ONLINE:

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

OPEN 2-4pm

everyday
during the
school holidays
and weekends

ADULT

\$15

PER HOUR

CHILD

\$10

PER HOUR

Preschool under 5s - \$7.50
Family \$25 (4hrs)
6 items and 2 drinks, 24 hrs & delivery

JUNIOR ICE HOCKEY

Would your little person love to learn
how to play Ice Hockey?

6 - 12 year olds

Tuesdays: 4:30pm - 5:30pm
(During school terms)

\$125

TERM

\$15

PER HOUR

All gear and coaching included.
No skating experience required.

"Limited Space Register Now"

REGISTRATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL:

isaicehockey@gmail.com for more info

Gore Multisports Complex
off Robertson Street, Gore

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19th September 2024

Dear parents / caregivers

Our school will be attending an environmental event called Waste Free Wanda.

Who Is Waste Free Wanda?

New Zealand's environmental superhero, **Waste Free Wanda**, is a one-woman musical act that supports children to make positive choices around waste reduction. Full of humour, catchy songs and an engaging storyline, this interactive show is a one-stop solution for educating communities on how to be the change when it comes to reducing single-use plastic on the planet, while also enabling the arts. Written and performed by award-winning singer/songwriter Anna van Riel, **Waste Free Wanda is an educational, entertaining and engaging solution to help to inspire change.**

What: Waste Free Wanda
Why: To ignite change, start action and begin waste reduction in schools.
When: Thursday 17th October
Time: 1.15pm
Where: Waikaka Hall

Students will be travelling to and from the venue via our school bus and cars. If you could provide a vehicle to help with transporting our tamariki to and from the venue, it would be much appreciated.

Our juniors will be travelling by bus. Our older tamariki will be travelling by car.

Child / Children's Names:.....

I give permission for my child / children to attend this event.....

Please tick the box that applies

I am able to provide a vehicle.

☐

How many tamariki can you take?

I am unable to provide a vehicle.

☐

Thanking you

Raewyn Ramage

Knapdale School